

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES
DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)
CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)
60/399,928 **10/522866**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.
PCT/SG2003/000179

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE
30 July 2003

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
7/30/2002

TITLE OF INVENTION

SPHERICAL NANO-COMPOSITE POWDER AND A METHOD OF PREPARING THE SAME

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items(5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
 - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
 - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
 - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
7. ☐ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
 - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
 - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
 - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
 - d. ☐ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
20. ☒ Other items or information.

Request for Priority _____

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| 21. The following fees are submitted: | | | | Applicant Use | Office use only |
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| BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492 (a) (1)-(5): | | | | | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | a) Basic national fee | \$300.00 | | \$ 300.00 | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | b) Examination fee | \$200.00 | | \$ 200.00 | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | c) Search fee | \$500.00 | | \$ 500.00 | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ 1000.00 | |
| Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof. | | | | | |
| Total Sheets | Extra Sheets | Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number) | RATE | | |
| 10 - 100 = | -90 / 50 = | | x | \$ | |
| Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)). | | | | \$ | |
| CLAIMS NUMBER FILED NUMBER EXTRA RATE | | | | | |
| Total claims | | 3- 20 = | 0 x 50 | \$ | 0.00 |
| Independent claims | | 2 - 3 = | 0 x 200 | \$ | 0.00 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable) | | | + 360 | \$ | |
| TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS = | | | | \$ | 1000.00 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2. | | | | \$ | 1000.00 |
| SUBTOTAL = | | | | \$ | 500.00 |
| Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). <input type="checkbox"/> | | | | \$ | |
| TOTAL NATIONAL FEE = | | | | \$ | 500.00 |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property | | | | +\$ | |
| TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED = | | | | \$ | 500.00 |
| Amount to be refunded: | | | | | \$ |
| charged: | | | | | \$ |

a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 500.00 to cover the above fees is enclosed.

b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-2666 in the amount of \$ 500.00 to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2666. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

d. ☐ Fees are to be charged to a credit card. **WARNING:** Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form. Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.

NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.

1/28/2005
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